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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the above-captioned application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

at page 1, line 15, please delete "which" after "of";

page 2, lines 23, please replace "deoxynucleosides" with -deoxynucleoside-;

at page 34, line 31, please insert —been— between "have" and "successfully";

at page 36, line 10, please delete "of" between "account" and "the";

at page 39, line 31, please replace "streptavidinbiotin" with -streptavidinbiotin—;

at page 43, line 5, please replace "an" with -on-;

at page 43, line 2, please delete "from" between "DNA" and "is";

at page 43, line 13, please replace "sequence" with -sequences-;

at page 44, line 3, please replace "from" with -form-;